

CASHMERE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“The Stone Church on the Hill”

Mission Statement

To worship God, follow Christ,
transforming the world in the
power of the Spirit

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**Sunday 5th June 2022
Pentecost**

Preacher: David Coster

A very warm welcome to you all, whether this is your first time or thousandth time in church. You are welcome whatever your age, gender, marital status, disability, poverty or wealth, race or sexuality. You are welcome whether you have a deep and mature faith in Christ; are uncertain and still seeking; or have no faith. If you are new to church, please do not hesitate to ask one of those on duty if you have any questions.

You are invited to stay for morning tea after the service which will be served in the Kowhai Lounge today.

At the present time, we ask you to please continue to wear a mask during worship.

Communion today will be served in the same way as we did last time: one station at the front of the church and one at the back. We ask you to please make your way to the nearest to receive Communion.

Order of Worship

*Congregational responses are in bold italics.
Please stand as the Bible is processed in.*

Fellowship Candle (*Kathleen Anderson*)

Call to worship:

Gentle Spirit of God, breath of life which touches each face with love,
you are with us and within us.

You are the melody of joy in all creation, poured out in notes of hope and healing around us all,
you are with us and within us.

Passionate Spirit, warming our hearts with the bright flame of your caring
you are with us and within us.

Divine Dreamer, who casts a glimpse of beauty in the imaginations of all your children,
you are with us and within us.

On this day we name your coming, the Holy One who never leaves us, nor forsakes us.

you are with us and within us. Stay with us now, Spirit of God, Spirit of Christ.

We sing: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness,
calling and free.*

*Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.*

1. You moved on the waters,
you called to the deep,
then coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
and over the ages
you called to each thing,
wake up from your slumbers
and rise on your wings.

2. You swept through the desert,
you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people
with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded
with their idols and lies,
then you spoke through your
prophets
to open their eyes.

3. You sang in a stable,
you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence
when the whole world was still;
and down in the city
you called once again,
when you blew through your
people
in the rush of the wind.

4. You call from tomorrow,
you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow
the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions,
our men clear their eyes,
with bold new decisions –
your people arise.

Greeting

May the grace and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you, with all whom you love, and all whom you pray for here this day.

And may the grace and peace of our Lord be with you also.

Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Gather us as those who wait to know you more deeply, Holy Spirit. Speak to us in ways that reach each heart and mind and light the fires of your life in us.

Then scatter us into the world, as bearers of your sacred word and of a joy that cannot be contained.

Encircle us with your grace we pray.

O Holy Spirit, our inspiration and our hope, forgive us if we only look for you in smooth, clear words and calm places.

When the sounds are complex or unfamiliar, it is all too easy for us to close our ears. In your kindness, forgive us, we pray.

Words of Assurance.

The Holy Spirit hovers like a dove of peace over our lives, waiting to give us new gifts each day. When we pause and face ourselves, owning the truth, God never refuses to gather us into the harmony of love.

Forgiveness, restoration and renewal are God's gracious gifts.

Thanks be to God. Amen

Notices

We pass the peace of Christ to each other.

Time with the children

We sing: Spirit of God, unseen as the wind (Tune: Sky Boat Song)

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,
gentle as is the dove,
teach us the truth and help us believe,
show us the Saviour's love.*

1. You spoke to us long, long ago,
gave us the written word;
we read it still, needing its truth,
through it God's voice is heard.

2. Without your help we fail our Lord,
we cannot live his way;
we need your power,
we need your strength,
following Christ each day.

Introduction to the Reading (*Reader: Jill Fenton*)

Acts 2:1-21 (p.151 NT): It is the day of Pentecost; Jews from every nation on the face of the earth are gathered. Then, with a mighty wind, the Holy Spirit shakes the foundations where the followers of Jesus were gathered, descending upon them, empowering them to speak and to hear. And thus the church is born.

John 14: 8-17 & 25-27 (p.138 NT): Jesus promises his disciples that God will send them the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer before the Sermon

Sermon: The breath of God!

Our freewill offering to support the mission and Church of Jesus Christ will be received.

As God gives to us, so let us give to God and to all those who wait for the love of God in so many ways.

Offertory Prayer

Breathe over all that we present here, Spirit of Christ, and add to our offerings your gifts of insight and grace through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray, Our Father...(sung WOV 676)

We celebrate the Lord's Supper

We Sing: I come with joy, a child of God (CH4 656)

(The last line of each verse is repeated.)

1. I come with joy, a child of God
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.
2. I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends;
the love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

4. The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known.
alive among us here.
5. Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one.

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We celebrate the Lord's Supper

The Institution

...And with all your followers, we say with the angels;

Holy, holy, holy God

Of all power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory,

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God,

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

We sing: Great God your spirit like the wind

(Tune: Jerusalem)

1. Great God, your Spirit, like the wind -
unseen but shaking things we see -
will never leave us undisturbed,
fulfil our dreams, or set us free,
until we turn from faithless fear
and prove the promise of your grace,
in justice, peace and daily bread,
with joy for all the human race.
2. Lord, shake us with the force of love,
to rouse us from our dreadful sleep;
remove our hearts of stone, and give
new hearts of flesh, to break and weep
for all your children in distress
and dying for the wealth we keep.
Help us prevent, while we have time,
the blighted harvest greed must reap.

3. And then in your compassion, give
 your Spirit like the gentle rain,
 creating fertile ground from which
 your peace and justice spring like grain;
 until your love is satisfied,
 with all creation freed from pain,
 and all your children live to praise
 your will fulfilled, your presence plain.

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Benediction

Threefold Amen

*Please remain standing as the Bible is processed out.
 Thank you for sharing in worship this morning.
 Please come through to the **Kowhai Lounge** for morning tea.*



Cashmere Connection

The latest edition has now been printed, and copies for delivery are at the back of the church. It can also be accessed from the News page of our website.

Rosters

Rosters for the three months starting 19th June will be prepared soon. Those already on the rosters, can you please let me know (1) whether you are happy to continue on the rosters, and which ones, and (2) any dates you are not available.

New helpers would be welcome! If you are not already but would be willing to go on to one or more of the rosters, please let me know. Details of the duties are below, to give you an idea of what you would be signing up for!

Contact Gail in the church office – ph 332 7129, email cashmere.church@xtra.co.nz

Duty	Brief overview of tasks involved
Door Duty	Arrive by 9.30am; ensure heaters, lights, sound system etc are on; greet people at the doors and hand out the Bulletins; take up the offerings; tidy up and close up at the end of the service
Morning Tea	Set up before the service starts; be ready to serve the tea/coffee etc. straight after the service; tidy up and put away at the end.
Bible Reading	Read the allocated Bible passages during the service
Candle Lighting	Read out the prayer during the lighting of the fellowship candle

Food Trolley	Collect the food offerings on the Sunday, or early in the week, and take them to the City Mission
Money Counting	Monday mornings, around 10am, sit with Gail whilst she counts the Offerings from Sunday.

Contemplative prayer days

Throughout the year Barbara Sampson (who has preached here at Cashmere) and a number of other leaders will be holding contemplative prayer days based around the theme “Flourishing in all the Seasons of Life”. They will be held on 11 June, 13 August, 8 October, 26 November, at Hornby Community Ministries, 23 Manurere St. Mark your diaries now if you would like to attend any or all of these days. Contact details: barbara.sampson.nz@gmail.com

The Alpine Presbytery Newsletter is produced weekly, and a copy is on the notice board in the foyer. Speak to Gail if you would like to subscribe to receive it directly.



Tuesday 7th June

9.00am Craft Group in Kowhai Lounge

11.00am Forum in Rata Lounge

Thursday 9th June

10.00am Pre-School Music

Sunday 12th June

10.00am Morning Worship

Church Rosters	This week: 5th June	Next week: 12th June
Door Duty	Ian Gray, Jill Fenton, Margaret Ford	(tbc) Cath Dale
Morning Tea & Coffee	Elizabeth Taggart, Cecile Pierce	Judith & Tony Waters
Bible Reading	Jill Fenton	<i>Family Service</i>
Candle Lighting	Kathleen Anderson	Elizabeth Taggart
Food Trolley	Helen Matthews	Richard Leete
Money Counting (Monday)	Kathleen Anderson	<i>Gail on leave</i>

Leading Worship over the next few weeks:

12 th June	David Coster
19 th June	Hamish Galloway
26 th June	Anne Shave
3 rd July	David Coster



A reminder of the Fire Evacuation Procedures for when Church is in use for Worship Services:

Should the automatic fire alarm sound:

- Minister to take overall control of the situation and act as Warden (using Warden armband) and liaise with the Fire Service.
- Minister and organist to direct evacuation from front of church. Minister then proceeds to bus shelter to receive reports from others.
- First two named people on door duty list for that week to direct evacuation from rear of church – one through main door, one through foyer.
- Other(s) on door duty use handheld fire fighting equipment, if safe to do so, and to then go outside to direct people to the designated place of safety
- Property Convenor (if present) to call 111 from a safe phone, otherwise Minister to delegate this responsibility to an appropriate person.
- Ensure all buildings are empty. This duty to be carried out by a responsible person delegated by the Minister at the time of the incident.

Evacuation Routes:

Church:

1. **exit via choir room** at left front of church (door between organ & piano) to the deck outside, proceed round rear of Church or Church House to Cashmere Green
2. **exit via vestry/flower room** at right front of church (door before pulpit). Proceed across road to Cashmere Green.
3. **exit via main Church entrance** towards rear of church. Proceed across road to Cashmere Green.
4. **exit via door at rear of church into the foyer** of the office/lounge area, then through main foyer door and across road to Cashmere Green.

Lounge:

1. **exit by main entrance**, through foyer, out through main foyer door and across road to Cashmere Green.
2. **exit by side door** (opposite main door, under “lean-to” area) to rear lawns. Proceed round rear of Church House to Cashmere Green

Church House:

1. **exit through front door**, across the road to Cashmere Green.
2. **Exit through stair hallway to side door**, then across the road to Cashmere Green.
3. **From upstairs**, through Fire Exit from upstairs bedroom. Proceed to Cashmere Green.